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Sen. Van Woerkom announces grant award to Fruitport Charter Township

Lansing - State Sen. Gerald Van Woerkom (R-Norton Shores) today announced that Fruitport Charter Township will receive a \$105,000 Community Development Block Grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

The grant will be used to finance public water improvements to serve the expansion needs of Port City Racing. The company's share is \$800,000, while the local contribution is \$59,500. Plans for the expansion include the construction of a 24,000 square foot manufacturing facility. The project is expected to create 12 new jobs.

"This grant will allow Port City Racing to expand, creating more job opportunities for our residents," Van Woerkom said. "I'm glad the MEDC decided to help fund this project. This is a great opportunity for our community."

Port City Racing manufactures hundreds of different quality automobile parts, including adjustable gas pedals, gaskets, aluminum and steel hubs, lug nuts, brake lines and engine parts.

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